

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA
WINSTON-SALEM DIVISION**

AFRIKA WILLIAMS,

Plaintiff,

v.

DUKE UNIVERSITY HEALTH
SYSTEM, INC.,

Defendant.

Case No. 1:22CV00727

**PLAINTIFFS' UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY APPROVAL OF
CLASS ACTION SETTLEMENT**

Under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23(e), Plaintiff Afrika Williams ("Plaintiff") respectfully moves this Court to enter the proposed Order Granting Preliminary Approval of Class Action Settlement that would (1) preliminarily approve the proposed Settlement Agreement pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 23(c) and (e); (2) preliminarily and conditionally certify the proposed Settlement Class; (3) approve the proposed Class Notice; (4) preliminarily approve Class Counsel and Plaintiff to represent the Settlement Class; and (5) schedule a Final Approval Hearing to consider final approval of the proposed Settlement, and approval of attorneys' fees, costs, and Service Awards.

Respectfully submitted this 2nd day of May 2025,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on May 2, 2025, I served a copy of the foregoing via electronic filing in the ECF system.

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